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Patent Claims

1. A secure offline betting device for playing games offered by a betting operator offline and away from the premises of the betting operator, **characterized in** the device comprising a purse application (1), an I/O controller (2), a games application (3, 13), a cryptologic application (4), a physical I/O device (9), a random generator application (11) and a logging application (12) all encapsulated in a tamperproof physical enclosure (5).

2. A method for providing offline betting on games offered by a betting operator, characterized in (i) an authorised betting operator may load and unload the betting device with money or tokens, (ii) an authorised betting operator may load and unload the betting device with entitlements i.e. authorisations for actual games, (iii) an authorised betting operator may unload the transaction log from the betting device, (iv) an authorised user may access information regarding money or tokens hold by the betting device, (v) an authorised user may run games and thereby increase or decrease the money or tokens hold by the betting device, whereby the game may be a slot, blackjack, poker, bingo or any other game.